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* A FEEL IN THE CHRISTMAS AIR *
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By JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

They's a kind o' feel in the air to me
When the Chris'mas times sets in
That's about as much of a mystery
As ever I've run ag'in.
Fer instunce, now, whilse I gain in weigh^t
And ginerall health, I swear
They's a goneeness somens I can't quite state—
A kind o' feel in the air.

They's a feel in the Chris'mas air goes right
To the spot where a man lives at!
It gives a feller a appetite—
They ain't no doubt about that!
And yit they's somepin—I don't know what—
That follers me here and there
And ha'nts and worries and spares me not—
A kind o' feel in the air.

They's a feel, as I say, in the air that's jest
As blamed-on sad as sweet.
In the same ra-sho as I feel the best
And am the spryest on my feet
They's allus a kind o' sort of a ache
That I can't locate nowhere,
But it comes with Chris'mas, and no mistake—
A kind o' feel in the air.

Is it the racket the children raise?
Why, no!—God bless 'em, no!
Is it the eyes and the cheeks ablaze,
Like my own wuz long ago?
Is it the bleat o' the whistle and beat
O' the little toy drum and blare
O' the horn? No, no! It is jest the sweet—
The sad-sweet feel in the air.

"Buck's" Christmas Story

By Tobin.

"Well, Buck, tell us the worst at once," anxiously pleaded Big Brother Ben as Buck came home from school one evening about a week before Christmas. "Now if this were three hundred years ago and you were your great grandfather raised to the fourth power and he looked like you, I'd take my oath that he was either a Puritan or a Presbyterian. For of all the long faces outside of the zoo, you certainly are graduated with first honor; our respected granddad aforementioned of course excepted. Now tell us all and relieve your mind. Which is it: Are you to be shot at sunrise, or do you have to sit with Angelina again next week?"

"Naw, it's worse than that; I have to write an essay."

"Oh, that's easy," smiled Big Ben, now all you have to do is to get just chuck full of your subject and then"—

"Ah, g'wan; our subject is a Christmas story and we have to hand in our papers two days before."

"A Christmas story; why that becomes easier and easier," encouragingly remarked Big Ben. "I can think of forty-seven good stories right now. For instance 'Once upon a time there was a little girl and she was very lame. Her papa and her mamma were very poor and often she did not have enough to eat, but she was always very cheerful and happy and contented, and one night—it was the night of the twenty-fourth of December—'

"That won't do," interrupted Buck, "teacher said this must be an original story and she would think I got that from the Girl's Companion."

"Well, how do you like number two then," and Ben proceeded: "It was Christmas at Martin School. The room, gayly decorated with festoons of holly, seemed charged with the spirit of the season. Both boys and girls were tense with restrained emotion. Their long pent-up feelings could stand it no longer, however, for upon the clear, frosty air rang forth"—

At this point, Buck's "pent-up" feelings exploded. "And is number three and number four and the rest of your forty-seven like those? Surely you haven't left out the mistletoe, and Santa Claus and jingle bells? Maybe you want me to say something about hanging up the baby's stocking and also to sing, 'What do you wish him to bring you. Say, what do you think this is anyway,'" and with a snort of scorn the irate brother jumped straight into the air.

"Peace, be still Bucky. Have it your own way, but I don't see how you are to get a Christmas story unless you talk about mince pies and the night before Christmas, to say nothing of happy faces."

"Well, happy faces and toys and Christmas trees ain't going to have nothing to do with this story," answered Buck, "and if you'll help me, I'll write it right now."

Ben responded that he was with him to the bitter end and the story proceeded:

"This ain't a true story. Most Christmas stories say they are true, but they ain't. It was a hot day in December; Oh, it was as hot as the fourth of July."

Here Ben interrupted, "Say, that's putting it pretty strong, isn't it?"

"Didn't I tell you," Buck replied, "that this wasn't going to be one of those stories like you read in *Forward*." He compromised the matter, however, by substituting the third of July for the fourth and began again:

"So of course there wasn't any snow on the ground and no sleighbells ringing out, 'Peace on earth.' And us fellows didn't have happy, smiling faces either because we had to go to church to give our entertainment. Bill Jones and me had to sing a carol and just as we finished, 'Reddy' came to the window and told us that the other fellows had swiped the treat. So when the preacher started to wind up, we beat it out the side door to the woods. We could not eat the candy, though as it was too hard. I guess it was some that the grocer had traded in on his pew rent. So we had a ball game and then went in swimming. We got tired of that after a while, so we got Bill's deck and had a game. I licked Bill because he trumped my ace and he got mad and went home. I did too, and dad met me at the gate. I wanted to go to bed right away, but he thought we ought to take our physical exercise first. We don't have a gym, so dad made the woodshed do. He said it hurt him more than it did me, so I wished him a Merry Christmas and—that's all."

Buck stopped writing and looked at Ben expectantly. Ben rose to the occasion. Pretty good, but, 'er, don't you think it lacks an appearance of reality; those climatic conditions are—well to say the least rather unusual."

Buck was stumped for a moment, but only a moment, for seeing a way of escape, he added this postscript: "Dear Teacher, I forgot to tell you that this happened in Florida."

Lesson Helps for Freshmen

A good answer turneth away zero.

An answer in time saves nine (or ten)

An answer in the head is worth two in the book.

—F.Y.

Smile and grit your teeth, and you can accomplish wonders.

Who's Who Among the Alumni

1. *Rev. W. W. Iliffe.*

Reverend William Wallace Iliffe, of the class of 1900, is one among the many graduates of Cedarville College who are making an impress on their day and generation. It is one thing to simply exist and quite another to live and do things. Rev. Iliffe began his contact with mundane affairs in Cedarville, Ohio, July 1, 1876, fathered and mothered by William and Louisa Iliffe and since that date he has not ceased to exert an influence positive in character, upon his surroundings. His early education was received in the public schools and College at Cedarville. After graduation from college he spent four years in the study of theology at the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary at Philadelphia, Pa. His first pastorate was at Duaneburgh, N. Y., where for five years he shepherded the R. P. congregation at that place. While there he not only led his people into green pastures of spiritual truths, but properly took an active interest in politics, especially in the fight against the saloon.

In 1908 he resigned his pastorate at Duaneburgh and became the pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Brookline, Mass. This is a young congregation having been organized only about eighteen years ago. When Rev. Mr. Iliffe became its pastor five years ago, its membership numbered 375. It now has a membership of over 650 and a Sabbath school of 1,000. The pastor teaches a class of 600 men. At a recent communion service thirty seven new members were received into the church.

Early in his Duaneburgh pastorate he was united in marriage to Miss Fannie Townsley, a Cedarville girl, with whom he was acquainted from his youth up. Mrs. Iliffe is cultured and in every way fitted to be a true helpmeet. Four little ones, three boys and one girl, lend their cheer and help to make a happy home.

Rev. Mr. Iliffe belongs to the type of preachers which Peter Clark MacFarlane calls "Man to Man Preachers." In a plain simple and direct way he reaches out after men and women.

"Generally speaking women are"—

"Are what?"

"Generally speaking."

—Ex.

The difference between life and love: Life is one fool thing after another. Love is two fool things after another.—Ex.

Our Exchanges

The Gavelyte acknowledges the receipt of the following November exchanges: Cooper Courier; The Collegian; The Wilmingtonian; The College Voice; Black and Magenta; Purple and Gold; The Argus and the Otterbein Aegis.

We are impressed with the distinctive western enthusiasm and college spirit displayed by the Cooper Courier, Sterling, Kansas, in their athletic reports. Perhaps a little more "pep" wouldn't hurt some of the schools further east.

The November number of the Collegian (Henry Kendall College), is splendid for an initial number. Keep up the good work.

There is a splendid essay on "The Qualities of True Friendship," in the November Wilmingtonian. It will pay you to look it up.

The leading article, "Working in Shadow," of The College Voice, West Lafayette College, is worth reading.

The November issue of the Black and Magenta (Muskingum College), is largely given over to the annual scrap between the Freshmen and Sophomores, consisting of a tug-of-war, a flag rush and a football game. "Curin' Curious Cummins," promises to be an interesting and unusual story.

For a neat and well-gotten up paper the Purple and Gold, (Ashland College) surpasses anything which we have seen. It contains an excellent editorial on "Success."

Rah! Rah! Rah!

Easy money! Easy Money!

Pa! Pa! Pa!

—Ex.

Would you throw a rope to a drowning lemon just to give a lemon-aid?

—Ex.

"Dan's Thanksgiving," in the Argus (Findlay College), is an excellent short story.

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To all readers of our little paper, The Gavelyte extends Christmas greetings in accordance with the spirit of the season. It is the one time of all the year to which we all look forward with keen anticipation and remember with unmingled delight. As far as civilization has extended the spirit of Christmas has gone. The observance of the Christmas season is world-wide, extending into every country of civilization and enlightenment. This world-wide observance shows something of its hold on mankind and the estimate in which it is held.

One of the notes which has been sounded this year contains a plea for the better understanding of Christmas and for the removal of certain objectionable features connected with it. Many voices are being raised against the over-emphasis of the Santa Claus, and the resulting neglect of teaching the story of "The Prince of Peace." The spirit of Santa Claus—that of gift-giving, is in reality Christ's and should be taught as such. We cannot be too careful in safe-guarding the essentially sacred and religious from the light and secular.

We feel certain that the Christmas spirit, the spirit of others is not lacking among our readers. Accordingly at this Christmas season of 1913, we extend to you all the best wishes of the season.

PUNCTUALITY, A VIRTUE.

Doubtless many well-meaning persons would be greatly surprised if we should call non-punctuality a vice, but that is certainly what it is. Let us suppose for instance that an engagement is announced for eight o'clock. The people are slow and the meeting is delayed a full fifteen minutes. This is frequently the case. It is not isolated by any means. In fact, tardiness is so common among young people especially, that nothing is thought of it.

When a person is tardy he does an injury both to himself and to the other people concerned. He harms himself in that he breaks down his moral nature so far as to start the formation of a bad habit. The non-punctual person injures those with whom he has to do by robbing them of their time. Did you ever think that when you keep a person needlessly waiting that you are robbing him just as truly as though you picked his pocket? This is no doubt a new idea to some of us, but it is true just the same. "On time, all the time" is certainly a splendid motto.

But let us take this specific case and analyze the results which follow such conduct. In the first place any one will admit that continued tardiness is simply nothing more or less than habit. We shall also try to show that it is such a bad habit that it is designated a vice, because of its results.

We are glad to see that Cedarville is greatly improved in this respect over last year. The two numbers of the lecture course which have occurred have obeyed the law to the letter and there is no better way to show your spirit than to heartily support the committee in charge. There is still more to be done along this line however, so let us remember that punctuality, a mark of good breeding should prevail among us.

DOC WISE'E PHILOSOPHY.

"Well begun's half done."

"Nothing succeeds like success."

"Tempus Fugit."

"Boost the Boosters."

Knock the knockers.

Practice the Golden Rule.

Get some backbone.

Look pleasant, please.

"He who never makes a mistake never makes anything."

A little perseverance and sweet oil can do almost anything.

"It's a wise man who can keep his temper, for any fool can lose it,

Athletic Notes

Boys' Basket Ball Team.

On November 28, the basket ball season at Cedarville College was opened by winning from the fast Jamestown A. C. by the score of 45-25. From the time the first ball was tossed up by Mayor Bull it was any one's game till the first part of the second half. Then the college boys forged ahead. The game was fast and furious on account of the rivalry which exists between the two teams. Townsley and Creswell led in the scoring for Cedarville, while Collins was brilliant with his passwork. Capt. Ogan was the big gun for Jamestown.

Score and line-up:

Cedarville, 45.

Jamestown A. C., 25.

Creswell.....r. f.....R. Stoner

Anderson, (c).....l. f.....Walthall

Turnbull.....c.....S. Stoner

Townsley.....r. g.....Rochhold

Collins.....l. g.....Ogan (c)

Field goals—Collins 3, Townsley 6, Turnbull 3, Anderson 2, Creswell 7; Ogan 5, S. Stoner 2, Walthall 2, R. Stoner 1.

Foul goals—Creswell 2, Townsley 1; Walthall 4, Ogan 1.

Referee—Ross. Umpire—Wilkinson. Timekeeper—Weaver.

Scorer—Bird. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

On December 5 the College team played the Xenia Y. M. C. A. team. It was one of the fastest and roughest games ever seen on the local floor. Time and again personal fouls were called on both sides and threats were made to put certain players out of the game. But brilliant passwork by the College team soon won over the rough tactics of the Y. M. C. A., and the final score was 43-24. Turnbull was the star for Cedarville, while Spahr was the bright light for Xenia.

Creswell, whose instep was sprained in the Jamestown game, had it crushed in one of the mix-ups, but he finished the game.

Score and line-up:

Cedarville, 43.

Y. M. C. A., 24.

Creswell.....r. f.....Hurley (c)

Anderson (c).....l. f.....Spahr

Turnbull.....c.....Knisley

Collins.....l. g.....McClure

Townsley.....r. g.....Ervin

Score—Field goals—Creswell 3, Anderson 4, Turnbull 9, Townsley 4; Hurley 5, Spahr 5.

Foul goals—Turnbull 1, Anderson 2; Hurley 3.

One point awarded Xenia for a Class B personal foul on Creswell.

Referee—Baldner. Umpire—Pavey. Timekeeper—Weaver.

Scorer—Ross. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

Girls' Athletic Notes.

The girls' team, which has been practicing for the past two weeks played a practise game among themselves. They gave good proof of their worth and are out for another state championship.

Our support at these first two games is very promising, also the enthusiasm. We are grateful to you for this and may you keep it up whether in defeat or victory and Cedarville College will not have a bad record when March 20th has come.

COLLEGE MINSTREL SHOW.

It is nearing the season when the Minstrel Show will be with us once more. All preparations are being made to make this the greatest show yet given by the college boys.

Twenty members have been chosen to make up the circle and the ends. Under the able direction of Prof. Siegler the boys will give us a show that will make Dockstader or Fields "sit up and take notice." This year's minstrel will have six of the best end men that Cedarville has ever seen, also a dancing team of eight members.

The latest songs and jokes are being collected, and you will miss the greatest part of your year's enjoyment if you don't see this 1915 minstrel. Watch for the announcement of the date.

ALUMNI NOTES.

Rev. John J. Wilson, '03, pastor of the Presbyterian church, Virginia, Ill., filled the pulpit of the R. P. church, Cedarville, the first Sabbath in November.

Alberta Creswell, '10, who is president of the Greene county C. E. Union, attended the County Officers' Conference held in Columbus, November 27-29.

Robert Byron Harriman arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Harriman on November 19, 1913. Mr. Harriman, '12, is pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian congregation at Fairview, Pa.

Miss Laura Wright, '13, is principal of the high school, at Idaville, Ind.

Among those who spent the Thanksgiving vacation at Cedarville were Julia Harbison, '09, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Confarr, '09, John Stewart, '11, Fred Bird, '10, and Ila Ramsey, '12.

Ethel McMillan, '10, is teaching at Lindsey, Ohio.

Ruth Ramsey (distinguishing between the meanings of words)—I think "love" goes a little farther than "like." Experience will tell.

Bits of Locals

—In oratory class Paul Turnbull's interpretation of the word "elixir" was "he-licks-her." Wonder if this word has a very prominent place in Paul's vocabulary?

—(An old couple in a buggy on a dark night.)

"I'll declare, I thought this was the dark of the moon."

"So it is," replied his companion. "That's just Ada Wallace and Bruce Anderson coming down the road."

—Picture framing neatly and promptly done at Nagley's Studio.

—The basketball girls would like to show their appreciation of the new dressing room in the gym by hugging the faculty. Unlike Governor Glenn, the last lecturer, they are more particular about the men than women.

—Ralph E.—What do you want for Christmas?

Mary C.—A diamond ring.

Ralph C.—Can't I be Santa Claus? ? ?

—Roscoe McCorkle would like Santa Claus to bring him a house to put his new set of furniture in.

—Kodaks and photo supplies at Nagley's studio.

—Carl Duncan sported a black eye for a few days. Nice thing to be bigger than he is, Blanche—you can protect him.

—Prof. Jurkat suffered ill effects from Thanksgiving.

—Miss Hazel Lowry has engaged Miss Mary Bird to compose her wedding march. Wonder when it is to come off?

—Rachel T. to Carey R.—Where is your brother? I mean your little brother.

—Put Kodak on that Christmas list.

Nagley's Studio.

—It has been thot by one of our Great students that the name Cooper means dream.

—Hofmeister is singing a new song—"Have you got another girl at home like Mary?"

—When Roscoe says, "Oh, I've quit all that," just wait. It only takes two or three days.

—Tough luck, Bruce, but you'll have to learn "the early 'Bird' catches the—Wallace."

—There is still time to have your photo taken for Christmas at

Nagley's Studio.

—I wonder who was so sick up in the Lab. and why?

—Poor Hofmeister, he has no conscience.

—Blanche—"Y—yes, I suppose so."

—Paul (in oratory class) —Professor what is the feminine of that word financier, or the woman who is engaged?

—Say, fellow students, did you enjoy the Koehne lecture or the other one?

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—Student—Carl Duncan's getting fat.

Companion—Perhaps it's the association.

—Say girls, Ethel Beekman's feet are either awfully large or else "Cam" Ross's are awfully, awfully small.

—"Oh, Slush"! ! !

—Rachel Tarbox ! (at basketball game.) "Rah! Rah! Rah Townsley! Townsley! Townsley!"

—We all give up. Nancy has made a perfect "et optimum" in Latin class.

—Notice: I am surveying a little and if any one has any surveying to do call on me, and I will give you satisfaction. I survey with a yardstick.—P. H. Creswell.

—Messrs. Ernest and Wendell Foster, of Lane Seminary spent their Thanksgiving vacation at home.

—Prof.—What are the three means by which heat is transmitted from one point to another?

Student—Conduction, convention and radiation.

—Wilmah (going home after Koehne lecture): "Mamma, you can go on home if you want to; Ward and I will come alone." come alone."

—We would suggest that Paul Turnbull make sure that his candy is not hot the next time.

—"Doc" Lloyd—"I hate celibacy."

Weaver (singing in Lab.)—"Will you go home with me?"

Rachel Tarbox (quickly)—"No."

A CHRISTMAS DINNER.

That an electric current of 1000 volts is equal in food value to a porterhouse steak with potato chips is the opinion of Prof. Berjoine, Bordeaux Scientist.—News Item.

Today is Christmas day, my dears,

On dynamos we'll dine,

Then take a right good kilowatt

For old lang syne;

And while we feast, let's not forget

The homeless and the poor,

But send them ohms to eat that they

May ohmless be no more.

But children, do not volt your food—

'Twill amper your digestion—

And be careful Watt you eat

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—The Expositor.

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Prof. Jurkat in a full dress suit?

Paul Creswell with his hair combed?

Blanche doing the tango?

Roscoe without his pipe?

Prof. Allen in short trousers?

Paul Turnbull on one side of the room and Miss Fudge on the other?

Prof. Lanning walk past Miss Ritchie's door?

Mary Hastings taking a nap?

Prof. McChesney playing basketball?

'Cam' get stung?

Rachel without a smile?

Merle pressing his suit?

Fred Townsley in a hurry?

'Peer' without a mouth?

Miss Creswell lead chapel.

"Are college men interested in the liquor problem and are they doing anything practical in the anti-liquor movement?" can easily be answered by the figures of a recent bulletin of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association of America, which lists over forty colleges and universities where students have taken a part in hand-to-hand fighting against saloons in their towns or states. This number is exclusive of the many other colleges which have furnished individual men in the thousand the I. P. A. has turned out for summer work in "state-wide" and prohibition campaigns in the last eight years.

RAH! RAH! RAH!

"Harold's father is a college man and Harold has come to understand, despite the fact that he is only six, that his father regards 'a college man' as far superior to the average mortal. But Harold's father doesn't like dogs and has on numerous occasions frowned upon his small son's desire to own a pup. One day recently a neighbor called Harold over to see him and offered to give him a dog if his father would let him have it. 'Go ask your father if you can have it,' said the neighbor, 'and tell him it is a thoroughbred collie pup.'

'Oh, Dad,' said Harold when he reached his father, 'Mr. Blaine wants to give me one of his dogs, if you will let me have it. You will let me have it, won't you, Dad? Because, you see, it is a thoroughbred college pup.' Harold got the dog."

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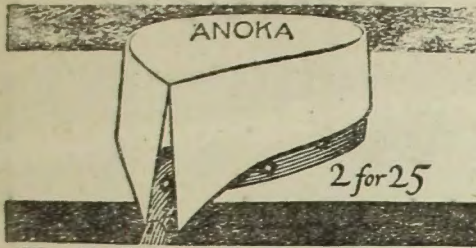
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